About the White Paper on Persons with Disabilities

This White Paper on Persons with Disabilities is an annual report submitted to the National Diet on the general status of measures taken for persons with disabilities pursuant to the provisions of Article 13 of the Basic Act for Persons with Disabilities (1970, Act No. 84).

This year's white paper is the 24th edition covering "Realizing an Inclusive Society" and "Development towards Enhancement of Support for Persons with Disabilities" as well as summarizing the measures taken mainly in the year 2016 for persons with disabilities, from the 5 perspectives of "Building the Foundation for a Deeper Understanding of Persons with Disabilities", "Building the Foundation for Independence in Social Participation", "Building the Foundation for Daily Life", "Building the Foundation for a Comfortable Living" and "Global Efforts".

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